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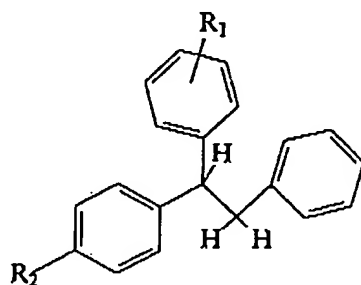
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 5, 2002, entry of the following amendment, and consideration of the accompanying remarks, is respectfully requested.

In the Claims

Please amend claim 27. The amended claim is provided below in clean form. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, amended claims are also shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate changes made. For convenience, all pending claims, including those added hereby, are provided in Appendix A.

27. (Amended) A method for treating extra-reproductive tract tissues that are responsive to treatment with estrogen comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of a nonuterotrophic compound having the structure



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